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Re Application of:  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114**

- (a) ☒ Previously submitted  
(i) ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously  
filed on 06-29-2006  
(ii) ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously  
filed on  
(iii) ☐ Other  
(b) ☒ Enclosed  
(i) ☒ Preliminary Amendment  
(ii) ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
(iii) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
(iv) ☐ Other

**2. Miscellaneous**

- (a) ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested  
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) of a period of months.. (Period of suspension  
shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)  
(b) ☐ Other

**3.**

Fees

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- RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)  
Extension of time fee (37 CFR § 1.136 and 1.117)

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